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VERBATIM TRANSCRIPT – ITEM 84

ABEYANCE ITEM – Hearing to consider the appeal regarding the Notice and Declaration of Chronic Nuisance located at 1919 Fremont Street. PROPERTY OWNER: JOSE E. & AZALEA PERAL - Ward 3 (Reese)

APPEARANCE LIST:

OSCAR GOODMAN, Mayor

AZALEA PERAL, property owner

DAMIAN WALBURN, Sergeant, Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department

GARY REESE, Councilman

STEVEN ROSS, Councilman

DAN STILL, Deputy City Attorney

STEVE WOLFSON, Councilman

LOIS TARKANIAN, Councilwoman

LARRY BROWN, Councilman

GIOVANI MINOLETTI, Office, Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department

AL GALLEGGO, Las Vegas resident

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23 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

24 All right, then, we go to Item Number 84, which is a hearing to consider the appeal regarding the
25 Notice and Declaration of Chronic Nuisance located at 1919 Fremont Street. The property owner
26 is Jose E. and Azalea Peral. This is in Ward 3. Okay, who's representing the –

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28 **AZALEA PERAL**

29 I'm Azalea Peral.

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31 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

32 The City? Thank you for announcing your presence. Who's representing the City or is it a
33 presentation by Metro?

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35 **DAMIAN WALBURN**

36 Presentation by Metro. Sergeant Damian Walburn, Downtown Area Command and Officer
37 Giovani Minoletti.

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39 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

40 Okay, very good. Why don't we give a little bit of the background here? The subject property
41 was determined to be a chronic nuisance as defined in Las Vegas Municipal Code Titled nine
42 point O four point O one O and nine point O four O point O two O dealing with nuisances and
43 Notice and Declaration of Chronic Nuisance was mailed to the property owners to correct the
44 nuisance per Title nine point O four point O one O and nine point O four O two O. Today's
45 hearing is to consider the appeal to the Notice and Declaration of Chronic Nuisance filed by
46 Azalea Peral, property owner and responsible party. So, we're going to ask Metro to make their
47 presentation and then, Ms. Peral, you'll certainly have an opportunity to respond.

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49 **DAMIAN WALBURN**

50 Thank you Mayor and Council. I'd like to put this in the record with the Clerk, please.

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52 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

53 All right, please.

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55 **DAMIAN WALBURN**

56 It's a copy of the book.

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58 **COUNCILMAN REESE**

59 I don't have a copy of that.

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61 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

62 I do not have a copy.

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64 **COUNCILMAN REESE**

65 Yes.

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67 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

68 I do have a copy. Yes, thank you. Thank you. Excuse me.

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70 **DAMIAN WALBURN**

71 Okay. This is in regards to the chronic nuisance at 1919 East Fremont, the Zari's Motel. The

72 events that led to the chronic nuisance, letter of investigation –

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74 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

75 Excuse me. I – just have a message that I have to take –

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77 **DAMIAN WALBURN**

78 Yes, Sir.

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80 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

81 – what – appears to be an important phone call.

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83 **DAMIAN WALBURN**

84 Okay.

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86 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

87 I – would like to participate in this. I'd like to do it from the beginning; so, we'll be in recess for
88 two minutes, if that's okay.

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90 **DAMIAN WALBURN**

91 Okay, Sir.

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93 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

94 Thank you.

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96 **RECESS**

97 **MEETING RESUMED**

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99 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

100 All right. Everybody here?

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102 **COUNCILMAN REESE**

103 Don't forget your glasses, babe.

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105 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

106 Councilwoman. Good. All right, everybody's here? Excellent. I'm – very sorry. We're back in
107 session. I apologize to everybody. Yes, Sir.

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109 **DAMIAN WALBURN**

110 Thank you, Mayor and Council. Again, I'm Sergeant Damian Walburn, Downtown Area
111 Command, and I supervise the chronic nuisance detail. This is in regard to 1919 East Fremont,
112 the Zari's Motel. I provided a copy for record to the City and also one to Ms. Peral.

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114 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

115 Yes, Ms. Peral, have you had an opportunity to review that?

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117 **AZALEA PERAL**

118 Yes. Yes, I did.

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120 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

121 Very good. Thank you.

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123 **DAMIAN WALBURN**

124 Okay, just to outline the events that led to the chronic nuisance service, which were continued
125 complaints from all officers from all shifts; that's seven days a week, 24 hours a day, that there
126 was a high amount of criminal activity occurring at the Zari's Motel. Secondly, calls for service
127 check was done for the Zari's Motel on eleven twenty-nine of O six, November 29th, last year,
128 that revealed the owners' violation of maintaining a Chronic Nuisance, Ordinance nine O four O
129 two O. This led to the chronic nuisance letter and investigation.

130 Just to outline what actually took place within 30 days. There were nine disturbance calls, four
131 batteries, one robbery, one fight and one malicious destruction of private property. Next we put
132 in the record. This is actually the letter and the Notice of the Declaration of Chronic Nuisance,
133 which specifically outlines that seven items be abeyed; set forth as hire more security guards and
134 have them work on a 24-hour basis; two, provide proof that background checks are being
135 conducted; three, take a more pro-active role in reducing the calls for service, which is a result of
136 a the enormous amount of criminal activity and impropriety on a property; four, comply with the
137 IDL program; five, take a more pro-active role in screening tenants. Next, evict all problem

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tenants that security or Las Vegas Metro Police Department uniforms of informs them of immediately. And next, to call LVMPD's Crime Prevention Specialist for any assistance, as in working with myself and my Chronic Nuisance Detail officers.

In the next page there's a request for abatement, which is an order to abate. And next is the Ordinance nine O four O seven zero, which outlines an appeal procedures. If the manager or the owner doesn't want to abate the problems, they have the right to appeal within a time period, which was done here.

Next I'm gonna go into a little comparison. For the Zari's Motel located at 1919 East Fremont Street, there's only 17 units within the facility. From 2003 or in two thousand and three there were only two calls for service. In two thousand and four there were two calls for service. In January of 2005 the property purchased by Azalea Peral at that time, there were 84 calls for service. In two thousand and six there were 200 calls for service. In two thousand and seven, the month of January and two weeks in February, there's already been 35 calls for service. Next page –

MAYOR GOODMAN

Sergeant –

DAMIAN WALBURN

– there's a graph –

MAYOR GOODMAN

– may I – ask you this?

DAMIAN WALBURN

Yes, Sir.

MAYOR GOODMAN

When we say calls for service, the, that's defined?

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168 **DAMIAN WALBURN**

169 Yes, Sir.

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171 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

172 Okay, fine.

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174 **DAMIAN WALBURN**

175 Yes, Sir. And – also to, I wanted to show you the next model where I have Zari's Motel listed at

176 the top –

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178 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

179 Right.

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181 **DAMIAN WALBURN**

182 – where it has a comparison of the years –

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184 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

185 Yeah.

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187 **DAMIAN WALBURN**

188 – 2003, 2004, 2005 and '06 –

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190 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

191 Right.

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193 **DAMIAN WALBURN**

194 – we actually took into account that out of those 200 calls, it may in fact, have been management

195 of the owner who called. Out of those we had 42 calls for service that were actually placed in by

196 the management. So, we wouldn't count those in; however, we show the totals, and if we have a

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197 pro-active management or an owner, there're not used against that – proprietor. We actually
198 work with them because they're trying to abate the program.

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200 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

201 Okay.

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203 **DAMIAN WALBURN**

204 On the next page, this is a breakdown. In two thousand and five at the Zari's Motel calls for
205 service there were three assault and batteries, three gun-related calls for service, two assault and
206 battery with a deadly weapon, one attempt homicide, one robbery, one attempt robbery, three
207 recovered stolen vehicles, two burglaries, one fight, one fraud, one narcotic's related and one
208 stolen vehicle.

209 Next, I broke down two thousand and six for you; nine narcotics activity, eight wanted subjects
210 that were arrested on that property, eight assault and batteries, four robberies, two kidnappings,
211 two fights, two assault and batteries with a gun, two gun-related incidents that weren't related to
212 the other two, two illegal shootings, two stolen vehicles, one burglary and one narcotics buy.
213 When I put narcotics buy in there doesn't mean that someone went and purchased narcotics.
214 That means that our undercover detectives went and did a buy with narcotics or a problem
215 solving unit.

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217 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

218 So, each one of these incidents is actual, does each one of these incidents represents an arrest or
219 represent the call for service and then the taking of a report?

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221 **DAMIAN WALBURN**

222 Taking of a report and/or an arrest; it could be both, Sir. For instance, for the wanted subjects,
223 the eight of 'em –

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225 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

226 Yes.

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228 **DAMIAN WALBURN**

229 – all eight of those went to jail. However, on the illegal shootings, we might had two illegal
230 shootings, there were no arrests because the suspects were gone on arrival when the officers got
231 there, Sir.

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233 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

234 Thank you.

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236 **DAMIAN WALBURN**

237 Yes, Sir. Next, for the two thousand and seven break-down, there's two narcotics activities, two
238 narcotics buy, again that has to do with narcotics and problem solving units; two wanted subjects,
239 both were arrested; two burglaries, one robbery, one assault and battery, one child abuse/neglect
240 call, and one search warrant was served through our Problem Solving Unit, through narcotics and
241 served by the Special Weapons and Tactics Unit on that property.

242 The target that they went to serve the warrant on at that time had actually been moved out by the
243 owner, who stands next to me now, prior to that warrant ever being served, so the target wasn't
244 in at that residence when the warrant was served.

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246 **COUNCILMAN ROSS**

247 Your Honor?

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249 **DAMIAN WALBURN**

250 How they knowledge of that prior to –

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252 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

253 Yes.

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255 **DAMIAN WALBURN**

256 – we don't know.

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258 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

259 Excuse me.

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261 **COUNCILMAN ROSS**

262 Would – you, if I may, Your Honor.

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264 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

265 Certainly.

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267 **COUNCILMAN ROSS**

268 Could you repeat that, please?

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270 **DAMIAN WALBURN**

271 Sir, before, after – Swat had served the warrant on that specific property on that day, at the

272 specific, you know, apartment in question for the impropriety, they went in to get the target out,

273 the person that was selling the narcotics and possibly had firearms, they had been moved from

274 that target into another place on the same property. So, the, you know, just, it moved down

275 another, to another, what's the word; another unit. So, the person who we went to make an arrest

276 on had been previously moved before we ever went in and did any activity. And that –

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278 **COUNCILMAN ROSS**

279 Thank you.

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281 **DAMIAN WALBURN**

282 – would have been moved in by the lady next to me.

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284 **COUNCILMAN ROSS**

285 Thank you, Your Honor.

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287 **DAMIAN WALBURN**

288 Two thousand and six calls for service comparison. At 1919 Fremont, Zari's Motel, there's 17
289 rooms, as I said earlier, 200 calls for service. Right next door or down the street, at 1920
290 Fremont, Purple Sage Motel has 18 rooms; there's only 66 calls for service. Next 1841 Fremont,
291 which is the TiVon Apartments, there's 36 rooms, they only had 76 calls for service, and that's a
292 comparison with something like or comparable to. There's also a graph on the next page for
293 Zari's Motel calls for service comparison. Out of the 18 rooms, the 36 rooms and the 17 rooms,
294 you can see the difference.

295 On the next page, what I've done is, we actually put down a timeline and request, and the one
296 thing with us is, although we do enforcement, we also have a humanistic approach to this, and
297 the key to anything is communication. We've had 12 meetings with Ms. Peral. They've been
298 done by my crime profession, Crime Prevention Specialist, my Chronic Nuisance officers and
299 also myself. They've been done in person. They've also been done on the telephone. They've
300 also been done on her property. So, we've given her every opportunity. The other unique thing
301 in the Chronic Nuisance Detail, we've abated actively over a hundred projects since this Detail
302 was put into implementation. We've only gone to appeal three times; this is the third. Usually,
303 the owner of the management team will abate it, actively, with Metro, with the City, with crime
304 prevention, i.e. the problem solved. Not in this case.

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306 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

307 But what do you attribute that to?

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309 **DAMIAN WALBURN**

310 Lack of management and accountability, Sir. I'm not going to go in the timeline unless we need
311 to through rebuttal. What I'd like to do is go to the last where I actually did a breakdown for the
312 Las Vegas Metropolitan Police cost breakdown to show the man hours and the cost. And this is

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313 a very, very low ball. A lot of officers putting in overtime; you're making time and a half, you
314 could be up between, you know, 50 dollars on up over to a hundred, depending on the specialty
315 and the training in tactics.

316 We broke this down. For patrol 200 calls for service and pro-active activity, two officers at 32
317 dollars an hour; that's low. One hour per call, 64 dollars per call. Sixty-four times 200, that's
318 \$12,800.

319 For the narcotics team, breakdown there; four hundred and fifty dollars, that's three times. For
320 the Swat Team, two times 400, that's \$800. For an overall breakdown, and I'll go down, 'cause I
321 don't want to seem repetitious here. The approximate total cost is fifteen thousand four hundred
322 and fifty dollars; that's four hundred and seventy-two man hours that we put in the Zari Motel,
323 Sir.

324 On the next page, and this is case and point for the recommendations, and I respectfully ask to be
325 considered, under the old Chronic Nuisance, the civil penalty was \$500. The new one was
326 actually put into effect by the Mayor, yourself, and this Council on the 24th of December in the
327 year two thousand and six. The new civil penalty there is a thousand dollars. We would ask that
328 we go off the old ordinance for 500 a day; that's ninety-nine days; that's \$49,500 in civil
329 penalties to be considered.

330 Secondly, that all seven items listed need to be done or abated immediately. The things that I
331 outlined, like the security, like the no visitation policy, IDL program, and they be done until the
332 revocation hearing, which is next. And I'm going to ask for the revocation of the business
333 license of the Zari is Motel to be considered.

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335 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

336 All right. Let me ask the City Attorney, what are we being asked to do today?

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338 **DAN STILL**

339 Well, Your Honor –

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341 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

342 Are we being asked to rule on whether or not it has been properly declared a nuisance, then
343 impose sanctions or is there a second phase that will be brought before us seeking revocation?

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345 **DAN STILL**

346 Well, to impose the civil liability, the civil fines, you have to make a finding based upon
347 substantial evidence that a chronic nuisance exists, which is – defined as three or more nuisance
348 activities within a 30-day period. And I'll have Sergeant Walburn articulate that, maybe, just a
349 little clearer so our record is clear. And once that finding –

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351 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

352 But is that what we are here for today?

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354 **DAN STILL**

355 Well, no, once that finding is made, then you have the discretion to impose these additional
356 conditions that are, that he's referenced on the back of the booklet that he provided.

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358 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

359 No, I appreciate that, but there's a suggestion that we impose a \$500 a day fine. Does that take
360 place today? There's a suggestion –

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362 **DAN STILL**

363 That could take place today within the discretion of the Council, and it could be from zero to
364 however many days there's a on-going violation.

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366 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

367 And how about the request for revocation? Is that gonna be acted upon today?

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369 **DAN STILL**

370 That wouldn't be acted upon today, Your Honor, that would be a direction to staff to move
371 forward with preparing a complaint –

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373 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

374 That – was my question.

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376 **DAN STILL**

377 – and the complaint would come, yes.

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379 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

380 That's my question. I – just want to know why, what we're supposed to do today.

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382 **DAMIAN WALBURN**

383 Yes, Sir.

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385 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

386 If the Council desires a revocation to take place then we would direct the City Attorney to
387 prepare the appropriate pleadings and those would be served on the young lady and she'll have an
388 opportunity to respond with all due process rights attached to it. All right. Thank you.

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390 **DAMIAN WALBURN**

391 Thank you, Sir.

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393 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

394 Yes, ma'am.

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396 **AZALEA PERAL**

397 Okay, well. First of all, I apologize if my language is a barrier to tell you exactly what's going on
398 here because I – hear his – presentation, but is – nothing like the way I see it in my point of view.
399 I call Mr. Minoletti, Giovanni Minoletti on October 26th to ask him for advice because Mrs.
400 Wendy Stillman from the Health Department gave me the idea to call him, so he can help me to
401 manage the building in a pro-active way. That building, first of all, was closed for many years
402 until I bought it. It had broken windows, homeless people live in there, no electricity at all, and,
403 of course, there was a lot of crime going on when we bought it. I lived in the 2000 year, I mean,
404 the 2005 year, I live on the property. I live on premises. Yes, there were calls. We had people
405 breaking into the newly fixed apartments. We had to make many calls because prostitutes and
406 drug addicts and all kind of people were used to coming into the property like if it was their
407 home. So, we had to call for help. We had to call for assistance. We installed an electricity and
408 we put light bulbs in every single apartment, outside. Besides that we had six different big lamps
409 that made that place look like a day at night. We also installed security cameras to allow us to
410 see every point of the motel.
411 I never, when I appealed this case, I didn't mean to waste all this taxpayer money or your time or
412 anybody's. The only reason of my appeal is because at the end of this notice it says that if I
413 wasn't, that if I didn't, that I had an objection and I didn't wanna waive my rights, I needed to
414 appeal this letter. So, that's the only reason why I appealed.

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416 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

417 The –

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419 **AZALEA PERAL**

420 I didn't mean not to comply.

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422 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

423 No, there's no problem with you exercising your rights. Nobody's taking issue with that.

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425 **AZALEA PERAL**

426 Okay, because that's – the main thing. I talked with Officer Minoletti two days after I start
427 calling him. I left him three messages on that day that I got the recommendation from the Health
428 Department officer, and she came back the next day, because what happened is that, we had a fire
429 inside this motel. We were running four rooms only from May to November, and you can verify
430 that. We only had four rooms to rent, and all the right side of the motel was closed down. We
431 didn't have electricity, so we had to run an extension cord to put electricity in the other side
432 because we were having a lot of trespassers. The Health Department came over and they gave us
433 a fine because of that extension cord and I explained the situation to Ms. Wendy Stillman and she
434 gave me the phone number of Giovanni Minoletti. He's, she told me to call him because he was
435 going to be able to help me.

436 The – area where I got this motel it's a very high area in crime. So, I called him for advice. He
437 came over, he showed up, like three days later, with a really bad attitude. I – don't know if he
438 was thinking that the reason for my call or Mrs. Wendy also called, was because I was doing
439 something wrong. But he came over really strongly on me. I know he was doing his job, but he
440 was very unprofessional. When he came he started yelling and screaming to me. There was a
441 tenant that passed by, a transvestite, and he told me, what is that thing doing here? And I said,
442 what you mean, what thing? He said that thing. And I said, well, he lives here. And he said,
443 well, he has to go. And I said, how do I evict somebody if he's not doing anything wrong and
444 he's paying his rent? And he just said, well, you have to do what I tell you to do or I'm gonna
445 close this place down. He left really upset. I told him, I call you because I wanted your help. I
446 wanted your advice. And he said you'll get it. You'll get it in writing. You'll get in a letter. Let
447 me have your address. I gave him my address.

448 A month later he came back and he put this on the motel door and he also mailed me a copy. I
449 took care of most of this immediately.

450 About the hiring of security guards, I already had a security guard and by the time he came back,
451 on the 29th, I actually fired him already because he got involved with the people of the street and
452 he wasn't good to the property. He was an escort instead of security guard.

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453 About providing background checks, look, I'll gladly do it for anybody who stays in the place for
454 a month. But how do I do background checks on somebody that comes over and stays there for a
455 day or a, or the weekend?

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457 **COUNCILMAN WOLFSON**

458 Mayor Goodman?

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460 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

461 Yes.

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463 **COUNCILMAN WOLFSON**

464 That was going to be a question I had, and I was going to ask you, Officer. First of all, your
465 report was a very good report, but next time I'd recommend you number the pages so that if I
466 want to refer to a page.

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468 **DAMIAN WALBURN**

469 Absolutely.

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471 **COUNCILMAN WOLFSON**

472 And on one of the pages it talks about a request made of this lady to do the background checks.
473 Let me find what I'm talking about.

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475 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

476 It's under the Notice and Declaration of Chronic Nuisance, dated November 29th '06.

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478 **DAMIAN WALBURN**

479 Councilman Wolfson, if I may interject on here, she was advised by crime prevention and also by
480 chronic nuisance officers, one standing next to me the other seated. This is more for the weekly
481 and monthlies, not the dailies. That was outlined to her. And case and point, I respect what this

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482 young lady has to say, but then again, instead of talking about impropriety and accountability,
483 we're talking about my officers' ethics and morals, which isn't in question here today.

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485 **COUNCILMAN WOLFSON**

486 Here's my question. This is the entry I'm – talking about. It's under the timeline.

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488 **DAMIAN WALBURN**

489 Okay.

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491 **COUNCILMAN WOLFSON**

492 Thank you, Mayor. It says eleven twenty-nine O six, we've requested owner to conduct
493 background checks on tenants and provide proof they are being done. And I understand you're
494 not so concerned with the dailies 'cause by the time you do a background check, they're gone.

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496 **DAMIAN WALBURN**

497 Yes, Sir.

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499 **COUNCILMAN WOLFSON**

500 But how is she gonna do a background check?

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502 **DAMIAN WALBURN**

503 Background checks, what we're asking with the IDL program, number one, state law we posted
504 within the facility and that's done through the management or the owner, that way that the people
505 that come in, the patron, her establishment or another establishment know that they're
506 accountable, that they work with LVMPD and the City of Las Vegas and that their IDL's done.
507 It, it's simply as something as simple as – getting Social Security numbers, getting dates of birth,
508 getting heights and weights.

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510 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

511 Why don't you tell us what IDL is?

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513 **DAMIAN WALBURN**

514 (Inaudible) Identify Detect and Locate. And that's what actually helps us hold, for instance, if –

515 you have, let's say, for instance Zari's Motel there's 17 units. Let's say there were three families

516 in there living with children. You wouldn't wanna probably have somebody that come in that's a

517 sex offender registered for – doing something illegal, impropriators with a child. And those are

518 the types of things are available. It – assists management with weeding out people that you

519 wouldn't want on your property.

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521 **COUNCILMAN WOLFSON**

522 Okay. So, if you're talking about background check, that's a little misleading. What you're

523 taking about is you requested that she get appropriate identifiers on tenants; Social Security

524 numbers, drivers license numbers –

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526 **DAMIAN WALBURN**

527 Right.

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529 **COUNCILMAN WOLFSON**

530 – addresses, photo copy of drivers licenses –

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532 **DAMIAN WALBURN**

533 Right.

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535 **COUNCILMAN WOLFSON**

536 – things like that.

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538 **DAMIAN WALBURN**

539 Right – each, the one unique thing about Downtown Area Command is, we have a crime
540 profession, Crime Prevention Specialist, I’m sorry. And we have everything from a trespass
541 program to a non-visitor policy, to the IDL, to the records checks, everything is broke down in
542 writing and that’s all been supplied to Ms. Peral, by our CPS. So, that is done that way, and with
543 all the things that I do, I don’t know just about everything, but I make sure that records are kept
544 and that facts are done and that’s why we also keep case files so I can review that things are
545 being done. And I empower my troops to do their job and I know it was done because I spoke to
546 my CPS three times about this, specifically, after talking to this young lady on the telephone.

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548 **AZALEA PERAL**

549 Yeah, and – everything by their request is absolutely done the way they requested, and as
550 witnesses, it’s their own officers because they come to the property to check.

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552 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

553 Well, let me ask you some questions, okay.

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555 **AZALEA PERAL**

556 Sure.

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558 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

559 And once again, I’m a little fearful, I think this is the first time we’ve used this nuisance
560 ordinance.

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562 **DAMIAN WALBURN**

563 No, Sir. We had, go ahead ma’am. I’m sorry.

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565 **COUNCILWOMAN TARKANIAN**

566 No, that’s okay.

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568 **DAMIAN WALBURN**

569 The –

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571 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

572 Have we used this nuisance ordinance, as far as a hearing is concerned?

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574 **COUNCILWOMAN TARKANIAN**

575 Well, we used it on the convenience store.

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577 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

578 Okay, that's a little different. I'll tell you why I'm a little concerned, because one of the

579 provisions makes it a criminal act for failure to do certain things. And I'm fearful, with all due

580 respect, that she could be tending to incriminate herself if she answers some of the questions.

581 You – understand that you could have a lawyer here to giving you guidance if, number one, you

582 want one. We can't, I don't believe that the law provides us to appoint one even if you can't

583 afford it, under a misdemeanor circumstance. But have you talked to a lawyer about this?

584 **AZALEA PERAL**

585 I talked with a lawyer about it because Officer, the Sergeant, he – advised me to get a lawyer.

586 But I really thought I wasn't being –

587

588 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

589 No, I understand that. You may think one thing and another thing may be happening, because I

590 wanted to ask you some questions and if you answer the questions the wrong way, you could be

591 tending to incriminate yourself.

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593 **AZALEA PERAL**

594 Oh, well I explained the lawyer or I called a lawyer and told him what was going on and he told

595 me that if – they were doing this with everybody or just with me. And I said, well, I went to

596 knock on every motel to check and this is a personalized to Zari's.

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598 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

599 (Inaudible)

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601 **AZALEA PERAL**

602 So, he told me to come over here and check because I – am appealing the case.

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604 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

605 No, I understand that but –

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607 **AZALEA PERAL**

608 Is, I'm not being accused here. I'm not –

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610 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

611 Well –

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613 **AZALEA PERAL**

614 – defending myself.

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616 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

617 – I want to ask you, did you hire more security guards after you got, received the letter on

618 November the 29th of two thousand and six, security guards would work there 24 hours a day?

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620 **AZALEA PERAL**

621 My son lives there, Sir –

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623 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

624 No, that's not answering my –

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626 **AZALEA PERAL**

627 – and we –

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629 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

630 No, answer my question, please.

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632 **AZALEA PERAL**

633 Yeah, no, I did not. I –

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635 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

636 Okay, see, that’s what I’m worried about. Mr. Stills what do you say?

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638 **DAN STILL**

639 Well, Your Honor, we’re here on the civil appeal. There is no criminal case pending concerning
640 this matter. She has not ever been cited, that I’m aware of. I’m relying on the Sergeant to tell us
641 definitively. But I am –

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643 **DAMIAN WALBURN**

644 No cites.

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646 **DAN STILL**

647 – not aware of any citations. So, rather than proceed within the context of Municipal Court
648 through a criminal citation, they’ve chosen to take it through the civil process. Now, the, I guess,
649 technically, they could do both, but practically, it won’t happen.

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651 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

652 All right.

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654 **COUNCILMAN WOLFSON**

655 (Inaudible)

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657 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

658 Right. Okay. You're – let's put it this way, you're proceeding at your own peril. If you want to
659 get a lawyer, I'll let you get a lawyer.

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661 **AZALEA PERAL**

662 Okay.

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664 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

665 And in the meantime, the City Council will be at liberty to accept the motion to begin revocation
666 proceedings, no matter what your decision is, and then you can make your presentation by having
667 counsel with you or representing yourself, whatever your pleasure is, Ma'am. I'm just trying to
668 protect your rights.

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670 **AZALEA PERAL**

671 Right. Well, if that's the case, then I'll get a lawyer.

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673 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

674 All right. I think that's probably in her best interest and we'll proceed today. I believe that the
675 Mayor Pro Tem has a motion.

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677 **COUNCILMAN REESE**

678 Yes, Your Honor. I –

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680 **COUNCILMAN ROSS**

681 Your Honor?

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683 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

684 Yes.

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686 **COUNCILMAN ROSS**

687 May I make a couple of comments before you make that motion, Mayor Pro Tem?

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689 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

690 Certainly.

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692 **COUNCILMAN ROSS**

693 And – Sergeant, I – just, there're other properties that face the same issue as a nuisance, and if

694 you don't mind indulging me a little bit, Your Honor, I appreciate that.

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696 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

697 Go ahead.

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699 **COUNCILMAN ROSS**

700 Did the other properties also help you with the IDL program?

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702 **DAMIAN WALBURN**

703 Sir, I'm gonna let Officer Minoletti answer this because he's gonna tell you specifically how

704 many properties we're working with. And to answer that question specifically, yes, many

705 properties, and there's, I think, over a hundred in downtown that participate in the IDLs.

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707 **COUNCILMAN ROSS**

708 Well, and as he's preparing to answer that question, it seems to me that those other properties are

709 being pro-active enough to help us clean up the streets in the downtown area.

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711 **DAMIAN WALBURN**

712 Yes, Sir.

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714 **COUNCILMAN ROSS**

715 So, they're helping your team do exactly what they need to do.

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717 **DAMIAN WALBURN**

718 Yes, Sir.

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720 **COUNCILMAN ROSS**

721 And I'm not recognizing with that with this particular agenda item.

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723 **DAMIAN WALBURN**

724 That's correct. There's only been one name faxed in an the IDL program in five months to my
725 office, and we went and checked records yesterday with our CPS and none of this stuff had been
726 done yet. Matter of fact, it took 30 minutes to locate paperwork that should have been out for her
727 management or her family, whoever's in that office. We had to dig for 30 minutes to find it, in
728 her best interest, not to be used against her or no things here today to that effect.

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730 **COUNCILMAN ROSS**

731 Well, without -- her getting legal counsel on the other side --

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733 **DAMIAN WALBURN**

734 Yes, Sir.

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736 **COUNCILMAN ROSS**

737 -- it appears to me that your team has done, been pro-active, taken a pro-active approach to this
738 property.

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740 **DAMIAN WALBURN**

741 Yes, Sir.

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743 **COUNCILMAN ROSS**

744 And I'm going to refer your attention to this graph here regarding the other properties downtown.

745 The Purple Sage, which has 18 rooms, 66 calls for service. The TiVon, 36 rooms, 76 calls for

746 service. When, where's the line of demarcation here that says, hey, we got a serious problem

747 here. We're – not getting cooperation, you know, we're spending so far four hundred and

748 seventy-two man hours, including the time it's taken you guys to be sitting down here with us

749 today. I mean, this is costing taxpayers a lot of money. But where's that line that says, you

750 know, enough's enough. We need to bring this to the Council. Is this it, the 200 calls for

751 service?

752

753 **DAMIAN WALBURN**

754 It's when the line of, Sir, it's when the line of communication breaks down. It's when,

755 repetitiously, sergeant after sergeant approaches me and officer after officer approaches my office

756 and talks about the impropriety and the culpability or lack of accountability by the manager or the

757 owner. When officers are coming to me saying they're chasing drug dealers onto the property

758 into rooms with firearms and things like that, we step it up a notch. We also do more

759 communication where we'll try and sit down or have a telephone conversation if somebody isn't

760 within Las Vegas. Okay, or like, Mr. Peral wasn't available and so we talked on the phone on a

761 previous matter. It's when everything breaks down, it's when we have a totality, and then when

762 you put everything to black and white and you look at the facts and circumstances, it is very

763 overwhelming and that's why we're here today because there's no accountability on her part. It's

764 always, well, how come you're not talking to the TiVon. Well, we do look at other properties,

765 we do work with and abate other properties, but we're talking about yours. We're not picking on

766 her. It's not set out. But like I said earlier to the Council and the Mayor, we've done over a

767 hundred of these properties through the chronic nuisance where we sent the letter out and without

768 a knee jerk reaction, we set up meetings that are, you know, facilitated by the City Attorneys,

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769 sometimes by liaisons that some are present here in the – chamber today. And through the
770 communication we could work it out because there's positive attitude and we want them to
771 succeed. It's good for the City, it's good for us, it's safer for my officers. But when it just gets,
772 it's unsafe, we have to take it forth.

773

774 **COUNCILMAN ROSS**

775 Your Honor, if I may, and you hit it right there on the head. I mean, here we've got a property
776 with 200 calls for service, let's forget the taxpayers' dollar being spent, the man hours being
777 spent, let's go directly to officer safety –

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779 **DAMIAN WALBURN**

780 Yes, Sir.

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782 **COUNCILMAN ROSS**

783 – and to public safety, being our primary concern, in regards to what's happening downtown. I
784 mean, this is a scary thing and I'm grateful that you put this together 'cause it certainly helps me
785 understand your program better. And I ask you specific questions so that the audience could also
786 understand how this program works so that you're being pro-active out there in your efforts to
787 work with these property owners to help them with their challenges so they can also be
788 successful downtown. Thank you, Your Honor.

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790 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

791 Councilman Brown.

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793 **COUNCILMAN BROWN**

794 Sergeant, with the IDL program, is that a policy or is that part of City ordinance or state law?

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796 **GIOVANI MINOLETTI**

797 Do you know any better? It's an option. I think it's an option (inaudible) policy. Is that correct?

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799 **DAMIAN WALBURN**

800 I would say it's geared to a more, within policy and I think it's an effective tool used in many law
801 enforcement jurisdictions to partner with the community because we can't do it alone; we have to
802 work with the private sector and it's an effective tool to do that.

803

804 **COUNCILMAN BROWN**

805 And just, the notice of declaration of chronic nuisance that list those seven recommendations or
806 requests from Metro via the owner receives that, does she signs something acknowledging she
807 has received it?

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809 **DAMIAN WALBURN**

810 (Inaudible) go ahead.

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812 **GIOVANI MINOLETTI**

813 Mayor and Council, to answer that question, we send a letter both certified so we get a signature
814 on a return, and in most cases we're going to try hand-deliver also so we can testify that we hand-
815 delivered this and the owner will get it.

816

817 **COUCILMAN BROWN**

818 Appreciate that. And then just to make sure I'm clear on this, the CPS is a Crime Prevention
819 Specialist and in that first declaration it indicates that you're recommending that they contact a
820 Pam Terry.

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822 **DAMIAN WALBURN**

823 Yes.

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825 **COUNCILMAN BROWN**

826 In your backup it indicates that, since eleven twenty-nine, Crime Specialist Terry has made
827 contact with the management at least six times.

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829 **DAMIAN WALBURN**

830 Yes.

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832 **COUNCILMAN BROWN**

833 So, it's not that the letter just stays there. You continue to be interactive with the applicant to see

834 –

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836 **DAMIAN WALBURN**

837 Yes.

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839 **COUNCILMAN BROWN**

840 – that these things are being followed?

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842 **DAMIAN WALBURN**

843 Yes.

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845 **AZALEA PERAL**

846 I have been talking with Pam Terry, mainly because I call her because I report myself if I'm

847 going to be sick and I'm not going to come to the property two or three days. She knows

848 everything that's going on there. I had been doing the IDLs; they told me not to fax it to their

849 office. I am faxing it to Mike Shendrick and I can provide you with the fax number so you can

850 verify that they have been faxed.

851

852 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

853 I – think – it's probably in your best interest, based on where we stand at this point in time, to let

854 the Mayor Pro Tem make a motion, then you'll have the opportunity to have an attorney with

855 you, if you like –

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857 **AZALEA PERAL**

858 Okay. That, that's fine.

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860 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

861 – and be able to give a full response to the allegations. I – think that's a fairest way to handle
862 this.

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864 **AZALEA PERAL**

865 Okay. Well, that's – perfectly fine. But if you read my letter of appeal, I thought I was
866 complying with everything, except for the fact of hiring more security guards because it's such a
867 small property.

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869 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

870 I – understand. The problem is that Metro officers, they don't agree with you and that's the
871 reason we find ourselves where we are today. So, I think it's best that you have somebody who's
872 able to represent your interest and probably more level playing field to help us make our
873 decision.

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875 **AZALEA PERAL**

876 That's perfectly fine.

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878 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

879 Okay, good. Mayor Pro Tem?

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881 **COUNCILMAN REESE**

882 Thank you, Your Honor. I think –

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884 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

885 It's – not a public hearing.

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887 **AL GALLEGO**

888 Well, I think you need to look at some facts that you, maybe – you don't realize. My name is Al
889 Gallego. Most of these phone calls have been made to 9-1-1 or to Metro had been done by this
890 family, the majority of them.

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892 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

893 That's why I want her to have a lawyer with her.

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895 **AL GALLEGO**

896 I understand that, but the majority of them, and another thing that I got kind of upset was, at the
897 last City Council meeting this couple was here all day long. Nobody told them that it was going
898 to be abeyed or anything. Have courtesy to tell that is going to be, that they're not going to be
899 here. They were here all day long from seven thirty until five o'clock. Have a courtesy. And this
900 woman, with 17 units, well, I'm telling you, I'm kind of dis, devastated of what's going on.
901 They're trying to make just a little bit of money trying to clean up this motel. It's been vacant for
902 years, years and years. That, I've seen Metro down there all the time. Now they – want to charge
903 her for it? Thank you.

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905 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

906 Right. All right, Mayor Pro Tem do you have a motion, please?

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908 **COUNCILMAN REESE**

909 Yes, Your Honor. I'm going to need Mr. Still's help here. In order to have a revocation hearing,
910 I think we have enough evidence here to request that we have a revocation hearing. Is there a
911 certain amount of time I have to give or what do we have to do? And during this period of time,
912 what can I do or what can we, as a City Council, do to make sure that there's at least some kind –
913 of compliance, that there are licensed, regulated security people at this location during this time.

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915 **DAN STILL**

916 I'll try to take those one at the time. First, the revocation hearing, basically part of your motion
917 could be to direct staff to move forward with the revocation hearing on this particular property
918 that would then initiate Business Licensing to prepare a packet, send it to our office, the
919 complaint would be prepared, put on the agenda, the Council would approve the complaint and
920 the hearing date will be set. So, that would, I'm guesstimating that would take probably 45 to 60
921 days. Within that period of time, I know you're concerned with what conditions you could put
922 on the property in the meantime to try to get it under control. I would defer to Metro, but
923 certainly the items, the seven items that they, that you've been talking about here seem to be the
924 items that they're identifying as things that this property owner could do.

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926 **COUNCILMAN REESE**

927 But again though, they have asked her to do that in the past and she hasn't done that.

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929 **AZALEA PERAL**

930 I have, Sir. I have.

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932 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

933 See, that's going to be –

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935 **AZALEA PERAL**

936 You can – verify that.

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938 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

939 – that's going to be the point of contention at the hearing.

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941 **DAN STILL**

942 Well, but it could –

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944 **COUNCILMAN REESE**

945 The one – she says they have, we just asked her about security and she admitted she had not
946 security.

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948 **AZALEA PERAL**

949 Sir, those are the items that I appeal and that's the main reason why I appeal those items,
950 because, to me, they seem unreasonable, to put two security guards, 24 hours a day in a 17-unit
951 motel? You can cross that –

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953 **COUNCILMAN REESE**

954 Appar, apparently, it has to be, they have to have somebody there to make sure we don't have all
955 these calls for service at this location.

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957 **AZALEA PERAL**

958 We are there, Sir.

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960 **COUNCILMAN REESE**

961 Well –

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963 **AZALEA PERAL**

964 And – last month we only had seven units rented.

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966 **COUNCILMAN REESE**

967 Okay.

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969 **AZALEA PERAL**

970 Most of the place was vacant, so, I don't see where are those calls coming from. The rooms
971 don't even have phones; we have one public phone that they asked me to be remove.

972

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973 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

974 Okay. I really –

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976 **AZALEA PERAL**

977 I always requested that.

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979 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

980 – I really think that you should save this for when you’re back here the next time.

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982 **AZALEA PERAL**

983 All right, if that’s the case. But I’m already doing everything they’ve requested, except for the

984 security guards.

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986 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

987 Well, the first question I asked you, you said you didn’t do it. So –

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989 **AZALEA PERAL**

990 Sir –

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992 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

993 – take that for what it’s worth. Don’t argue with me be –

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995 **AZALEA PERAL**

996 Okay.

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998 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

999 – it’s not going to do any good.

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1001 **AZALEA PERAL**

1002 All right. But my appeal letter is because of those security guards. You can read it. It says there
1003 clearly.

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1005 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

1006 Okay.

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1008 **COUNCILMAN REESE**

1009 **I would ask staff to prepare a revocation hearing, as soon as possible, on Item 84. And I**
1010 **would also have, make in my motion, there has to be licensed security officers at this**
1011 **location until the public hearing.**

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1013 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

1014 All right. That's it. And that's the motion. Now, I wanna warn you once again, I'm trying – to
1015 help you here by warning you, you should have a lawyer –

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1017 **AZALEA PERAL**

1018 Okay, fine.

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1020 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

1021 – have your lawyer get in touch with the officer, the Sergeant.

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1023 **COUNCILMAN REESE**

1024 And I –

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1026 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

1027 Unfortunately, for – you, you're going have to do what this motion says and that's hire a security
1028 guard whether you like it or not because if you don't do it when you're ordered to do it, that
1029 could result in criminal liability, and I would hate to have that happened to you.

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1031 **AZALEA PERAL**

1032 Yea, I – I'll do it, even though it's not affordable, but I'll do it.

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1034 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

1035 Okay. But please work closely, either yourself or your lawyer with Metro to try to make sure that
1036 when you come back to us maybe we'll say, you know, you really made an effort and it might
1037 have some bearing on what we're going to do.

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1039 **AZALEA PERAL**

1040 It is surprising to me, Sir, that they're saying that I haven't make (sic) an effort when –

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1042 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

1043 Well –

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1045 **AZALEA PERAL**

1046 – yesterday I talked with Pam Terry and she told me everything was okay.

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1048 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

1049 – well, apparently it's not, that's why we're here today.

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1051 **AZALEA PERAL**

1052 Okay.

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1054 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

1055 Okay.

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1057 **COUNCILMAN REESE**

1058 Mr. Still, are there anything else we need to add to the motion?

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1060 **DAN STILL**

1061 Well, other than the security guards, Councilman Reese, I would defer to Metro. I – when it
1062 comes to the background checks, I, if you want to have them do some kind, you know, impose
1063 some kind of a condition that the owner provides adequate proof to Metro on a regular basis,
1064 something to that effect, so that they can get that information. That's about the only other thing
1065 that I see within the seven items that would be effective, maybe, during this 45 to 60-day period.

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1067 **COUNCILMAN REESE**

1068 (Inaudible). Damian?

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1070 **DAMIAN WALBURN**

1071 Sir, even with the identification, okay, the IDL is something that's gonna be very proactive and
1072 help solve some of the problems for the officers' safety and public safety and awareness until the
1073 revocation hearing.

1074 Going through the records and talking to Mr. Peral and the people in the office, you know, even
1075 accepting someone with identification as a patron would be wonderful, instead of seeing a copy
1076 of somebody's temporary custody record or a copy of somebody's ticket, in a – room. That –
1077 doesn't help us out because it could be somebody else totally different. We need picture IDs, we
1078 need things like that that are conducive to be an accountable as a management or owner. So, you
1079 know, when we've gone through records, we found things like that; TCR copies, copies of
1080 tickets. We need – people that actually have, you know, identification, maybe a picture ID so
1081 you know who they are, so, that information is readily available because you're also going to
1082 weed out impropriety before you actually rent a room to that person.

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1084 **COUNCILMAN REESE**

1085 Your Honor, if I could.

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1087 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

1088 Yes.

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1090 **COUNCILMAN REESE**

1091 If you go over there this afternoon, is there records that you can see who's staying at this
1092 complex?

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1094 **AZALEA PERAL**

1095 Absolutely, yes.

1096

1097 **DAMIAN WALBURN**

1098 We were just there.

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1100 **GIOVANI MINOLETTI**

1101 Councilman, we went there yesterday to do that – check and it took at least, probably 20 minutes
1102 to half an hour for the manager in there to find the paperwork to hand to us. And most of it we
1103 require proof of background check to be done, IDL program, trespass program, room ledger, and
1104 we went, numerous times we've gone over with Ms. Peral. It took a half an hour to get just the
1105 people who were rented to the rooms and the other stuff was never found. We pulled one IDL
1106 that was done last week, but was never sent in.

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1108 **AZALEA PERAL**

1109 Oh, no, that's absolutely not true.

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1111 **GIOVANI MINOLETTI**

1112 And I should –

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1114 **AZALEA PERAL**

1115 I mean absolutely.

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1117 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

1118 Make your motion.

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1120 **AZALEA PERAL**

1121 You can go, you can send somebody over and –

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1123 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

1124 All right.

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1126 **COUNCILMAN REESE**

1127 I will –

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1129 **AZALEA PERAL**

1130 – you can check all the files.

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1132 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

1133 Just make a motion.

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1135 **COUNCILMAN REESE**

1136 I will also –

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1138 **AZALEA PERAL**

1139 Everybody has an ID.

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1141 **COUNCILMAN REESE**

1142 – I would also make it a condition that they have the IDL checks available so that when the
1143 officers go in they can see who's staying at this motel. And that would be part of my motion.

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1145 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

1146 All right, that's the motion. Let's vote on it, please. Post. Motion carries. **(Motion carried**
1147 **unanimously)**. Ms. Peral, when you get a lawyer, have them call Metro.

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1149 **AZALEA PERAL**

1150 I will, but you know what, you can send somebody over to the property –

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1152 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

1153 They already –

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1155 **AZALEA PERAL**

1156 – check every file.

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1158 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

1159 – they did yesterday and didn't find what they wanted. So --

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1161 **AZALEA PERAL**

1162 They're lying.

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1164 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

1165 – they're lying?

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1167 **AZALEA PERAL**

1168 Yes, they are.

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1170 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

1171 Well, that doesn't help you.

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1173 **AZALEA PERAL**

1174 They are.

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1176 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

1177 Let the –

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1179 **AZALEA PERAL**

1180 I'm sorry, but they are.

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1182 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

1183 That's why I say, you better get a lawyer because when you call them a liar, they get angry.

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1185 **AZALEA PERAL**

1186 Yeah, I know. I know.

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1188 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

1189 Okay.

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1191 **AZALEA PERAL**

1192 All this issues is because of Officer Minoletti, that's – the problem.

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1194 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

1195 Okay, you're not helping yourself.

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1197 **AZALEA PERAL**

1198 Yeah, I'll get a –

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1200 **COUNCILWOMAN TARKANIAN**

1201 Mr. Mayor?

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1203 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

1204 Yes.

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1206 **AZALEA PERAL**

1207 – a lawyer.

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1209 **COUNCILWOMAN TARKANIAN**

1210 I would just like to say that, it's my understanding that Boulder Area Command has, in the area
1211 they represented downtown had a very significant decrease in crime, and I think it's because they
1212 have been this pro-active and this is maybe why we have a decrease in crime, which is what we
1213 need to build that great City downtown that you talk about. It's just what I want to say.

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1215 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

1216 Okay. All right.

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1218 **DAMIAN WALBURN**

1219 Thank you Mayor and Council.

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1221 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

1222 We'll see you all back here.

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1224 **COUNCILMAN REESE**

1225 Thanks.

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1227 **(END OF DISCUSSION)**

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